

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance. Acts 2:4.
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"IN EVERYTHING GIVE THANKS" = COURT VICTORS HAVE NO OFFICIALS =

THE CARE OF THE MINISTRY

Q. C. Dunaway.

More than nineteen hundred years ago, the man, Jesus was sent from heaven to this void and benighted land as one of the most wonderful missionaries this time-worn world has ever known. Since that time, others have been assigned to this good cause feeding millions by the living service of His people.

Empires have fallen; thrones have crumbled; but Christ still lives. His empire extending every day. His throne gaining new trophies of His grace.

"Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the ox that treadeth out the corn. Doth God take care for oxen?" 1 Cor. 9:9.

Why I have taken in hand to write such an important text is, because I have experienced many hardships in the past as well as joys through life's uneven paths. I feel deeply impressed to write a few paragraphs in regard to such work. Jesus' work while here on earth which He loved, was not ritual and sacrifice; nor censorious orthodoxy; but mercy and justice, humility and love. He came not to hush the natural music of men's lives; but to retune every silver chord in that harp of a thousand strings and to make it echo with the harmonies of heaven.

One among the hardest things for us to get engraved on our American's hearts is the care of the ministry. I have been an Evangelist for over nine years and none but those who have experienced the same, realize what I have undergone while affiliating with the various classes of men. Many may imagine it is an easy job to be a minister. Well, it is an easy task for those who are teaching for commandments the doctrine of men and preaching things they ought not to, for filthy lucre sake; but for those who have deserted the unrighteous ways of sin and are scattering the tidings of our God to a hungry and perishing world, it is much to be considered.

Let the world, the flesh and the devil say what they might, thousands of us have started for the kingdom, we have not purchased it, we have not conquered it; but we inherited it. Let men sail about in the airy heights of their imagination and float around on their planks of self-righteousness; but we are doing a good work, we can't come down.

Our mission to which we have been assigned is to brighten darkened lives; to soften the rude; make a sunshine of peace in stormy places; cover the faults and follies of men with the flowers of love. Jesus' teaching while He was here, was on this order: Behold I send you forth as sheep in the midst of wolves. Be ye wise as serpents and harmless as doves; carry neither purse nor scrip nor salute no man by the way, neither carry but one coat etc. Some might ask to-day why did Jesus put such a restraint on His ministry? It was because He definitely knew the laborer was worthy of his hire, if he received his just wages, he wouldn't have to be carrying his belongings with him, his needs would be supplied by those to whom he had so faithfully been preaching; but listen to me, dear readers, one who knows by exper-

ience, who has sailed life's untried and stormy deep before, if we were to leave home now-a-days with only one coat and only 1 pair of shoes, it wouldn't be very far down the road we could travel, before our shoes would be getting soleless and our one coat thread-bare and our passers-by on every side of the path of life, would be calling us those old trashy Holy Rollers. "Just look at his clothes. He needs shoes and a coat." I think because one pair of shoes and a coat won't last us as long as the children of Israel did, is because we wouldn't get enough funds to buy a decent lunch much the less buy good shoes and other necessary clothing. I presume some of our preachers are kept up pretty nicely. Very well, that is nice; but I suppose where this comes about, they hanker about and find the strongest paying churches; but there in the waters of life, the Divine Scriptures, there are shallows and deeps: shallows where the lamb may wade and deeps where the elephants may swim, so I just deem it a privilege to go out on hikes for miles to carry the bread of life to a perishing and soul-famishing world. There are many competent and noble ministers to-day confined to earthly cares at home rolling the soil and traversing the furrows behind their plow shares who ought to be responding to this urgent call, while hundreds are monthly passing from the stage of time out into the presence of the King, whom they could have influenced to God and right, had they only been privileged to have gone.

Now dear people suppose these noble hearted and sincere men of Christ whom God has numbered with His ministers have to quit this warfare just because our people and friends do not co-operate with us and contribute. What suppose ye, will be the results when you and I are called forth from death's slumbering land and into the presence of our Maker? Oh, how little some men are doing to-day toward the promulgating this all-saving grace doctrine. You might raise the question any time about having some one come our way and conducting a series of services. The first question is, What will it cost to get the preacher here? Cost! Cost! Cost! You can hear to-day. Money beggars! You can hear exclaimed to-day, when we speak of erecting a church, purchasing a piano for our necessity etc., but high-priced hats for Lizzie, high priced shoes for Billy, are never mentioned.

I am sorry to say so, but there are people to-day in our Spiritual ranks who would rather spend their surplus funds for dogs to hunt with and give to their wives to buy goose eggs and paint and powder than to throw their few pennies into the basket for a poor tired and given-out preacher. "Thou shalt not muzzle the mouth of the oxen," but how many are there to-day that are committing this God despising stinginess.

I have had to work for money enough to go to my desired place and then would not get the money in my offering, to amount to my expenses.

What a shame! Now this doesn't only imply the Christian brethren; but it implies all to whom the Gospel is preached.

I have set out to walk with my Divine friend and Father, hoping to enjoy His loving presence all the way to heaven.

THE SO-CALLED DIVINE SELECTION NOT RECOGNIZED

The recent decision in the Church litigation affects no property rights except that described in the pleadings, located in this city.

LOCAL CHURCHES NOT AFFECTED

Local congregational government with power to govern and regulate their own affairs.

Every true blue, loyal member should stand still, make no move until a final decision is handed down.

ATTORNEYS CONFIDENT THAT DECISION WILL BE REVERSED

At either event it appears that it is a victory for the local churches as they will have the right under this decision to pursue their own course.

Court decides that action of local churches not a valid ratification of the constitution, therefore they cannot be charged with departure from the faith is opinion of many.

EVERY OFFICIAL MINISTER AND DEACON SHOULD STAND FIRM

Allow no advantage to be taken as we are informed has been undertaken.

Some of our opposers have even gone and demanded possession of local church property claiming as their reasons the affect of the recent decision. This they have no right to do for two special reasons. (1) the local church property is not in question (2) the case is not closed, but goes to the higher court.

"NAY, IN ALL THESE THINGS WE ARE MORE THAN CONQUERORS THROUGH HIM THAT LOVED US."

"Stand still and see the salvation of the Lord." Many encouraging letters received. — Saints standing firm.

FURTHER INFORMATION ON CHURCH CONTROVERSY

J. S. Llewellyn.

We herewith reproduce the following article which appeared in the Cleveland Herald under date of July 8, 1926. This article will give our readers some idea of the status of the Church litigation at present. Since the article was written that appeared in our last issue our attorneys have investigated the written opinion of the Court of Civil Appeals and expressed themselves as confident that the Supreme Court will reverse the decision of the Court of Civil Appeals and confirm the decision of the Chancery Court which was in our favor. We feel sure that if our people knew all the facts and circumstances that they would agree with us that the best interest of the Church could not be protected without a further and final hearing in this matter which is of wide spread interest; yet at the same time affecting only the property described in the pleadings located at Headquarters.

Local Churches Not Affected

The local Church property throughout the states is not affected by this litigation inasmuch as the cross bill alleged and so insisted in substance that each local Church is an independent body vested with full power and authority to conduct its own internal affairs and opinion so states in substance that the local Churches are congregational in government as originally practiced and that the adoption of the MANIFESTO would not amount to a valid ratification of the constitution,

therefore we would respectfully advise that all LOCAL CHURCHES remain steadfast as you are and not waver.

Our insistence is that the constitution was unanimously adopted by the General Assembly and had a right to do so and enjoy the same right to repeal. Inasmuch as the whole matter is yet to be determined let every church stand firm and undisturbed.

Constitution

If this decision is sustained and the local churches have not given the constitution a valid ratification and that they are an independent democracy then beyond question they could not be held liable and responsible for something that the courts have decided they have never done. These questions, of course, will be reviewed by the highest tribunal of the State and we are confident that the final outcome will be that, regardless of who may be successful with reference to that portion of the property listed in the pleadings at Headquarters, as to the local churches, their rights and privileges will not be affected, but to the contrary will enjoy the right to pursue the course of their choice without successful outside interference, therefore in consideration of all of the facts and circumstances the pleasant and the unpleasant may we all stand unitedly heart and soul together and confidently expect that which Jesus said that the gates of hell shall not prevail against shall prosper and finally triumph.

Please read carefully the article above referred to that appeared in the Cleveland Herald under the date above mentioned as follows:

CHURCH OF GOD CONTROVERSY TO HIGHER COURT

Llewellyn Faction Will Appeal to Supreme Court from Holding of Court of Appeals

PORTRUM'S OPINION REVERSES LOWER COURT

The lawsuit between rival factions of the Church of God, with Headquarters in this city, reached its third stage Saturday, when Judge Portrum, of the court of civil appeals, in a decision rendered, held that in adopting a constitution and placing the government of that denomination in the hands of elders, the faith and practice of the church, which had originally started out on a plan of congregationalism, had changed its policy, thereby rendering the constitution adopted illegal and of no effect. The reversing of the decree of the chancery court, in effect, throws the control of the church name and property back into the hands of A. J. Tomlinson and associates. The case will now be appealed to the arbitration of the supreme court, forty-five days being given the Llewellyn faction in which to prepare their appeal. Judge Portrum, in his opinion, says:

"The suit was between factions of the Church of God, arising over the adoption of a written constitution, which is claimed changed the faith and practice of the Church. Prior to its adoption the church was congregational in government, with the right recognized in every member to interpret the Scripture free from all man-made creeds and traditions.

"Under the provisions of the constitution, the church government was changed from a congregational to an episcopacy, the individual being denied the right to interpret the Scriptures and a body composed of twelve and seventy elders given papal authority in this respect.

"The changes were both radical and fundamental," states the opinion, "and therefore that faction which is led by A. J. Tomlinson and which clings to the original faith and practice and which has repudiated the constitution, is entitled to retain the church name and administer and have possession of the property held in common by all the churches, located at headquarters at Cleveland.

"Any one (or all) of the majority who has advocated the constitution under a misapprehension that it did not change the faith and practice, is not estopped but may return to the church with full right as a member of the general assembly of the church.

"The Llewellyn faction has failed to establish that Tomlinson was a defaulter of church money, nor to show that he is indebted in any amount to the church. The original bill, except in one small particular, is dismissed and the cross-bill is sustained, the case reversed and remanded."

It is very plain that the court of civil appeals holds that each church has a right to govern its own affairs, and consequently has a right to choose its allegiance to a governing body. It is therefore apparent that this point in the decree, should it be

Continuation of Orphanage Worker's Tour in Kentucky

Vivian Haworth
After leaving Twila Ky., as Sister Hagewood told you in her last article; we made our way to Ravenna. The down-pour of rain was very heavy part of the way, and we had a hard struggle keeping the car from sliding into the Cumberland River. We had some very bad roads on this trip, but glad to say, we found some that were fine, and were indeed thankful when we reached the pavement. Although the roads were rough, we were cheered with the beautiful scenery, especially seven large rocks, called "The Seven Sisters". These were in rotation, — the same height and about the same distance apart, just at the edge of the river by the mountain side, appearing as if they had been arranged by man.

We had the grand privilege of spending one more night with Sister Early in Corbin; leaving the next morning to continue our journey to Ravenna. After viewing one mountain and valley after another, with houses on most every "hillside" and we wondered how they could possibly sit there, we were now beholding some beautiful farms and homes, as the mountains were not so numerous. We truly enjoyed this change of scenery as well as the good roads. While Sister Hagewood drove the car I played the guitar and we sang praises to our Saviour.

We passed through several pretty towns and at last arrived in Ravenna. We hardly knew when we were there as Irvine and Ravenna are joining towns. In the mountains again. My! such a hill as we climbed to get to Brother Muncy's home. We were invited into his home and soon summoned in to a real

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upheld by the highest court, may have a far-reaching effect on the future of the denomination. It is uncertain just how the alignment of the something like 600 congregations will stack up if this decision stands fast. It is practically certain, as it has been for a considerable time past, that the two wings will never come together, and presumably each division will be permitted to select its own name and adopt its own policy, and under this decision each local church will be permitted, apparently, to choose its allegiance to one or the other faction.

As to the matter of publishing house and other property here, the indications are that it will make but little difference as to which faction this shall fall. For, while the property value is considered, it is certain that the main item of advantage will be in the line of cleavage, for these properties will be comparatively valueless unless backed up by the support of a majority of the local churches.

As to the aspect of the future course of the suit in the supreme court, each faction seems equally confident of winning there. Attorneys for the two sides have given out the declaration that they are sure to win. In the meantime, the Tomlinson faction is jubilant over the decree, but while they are rejoicing over the victory they have won in the court of appeals, the property will still continue in the charge of the other faction till the final decision of the courts is received, which will probably be several months distant.

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We will do our best to keep from making mistakes, but if we make a mistake we will take pleasure in correcting it if you notify us.

We invite all the workers to send us reports of interest from the battlefield. If nothing else, a postal card telling help to make the Evangel a medium of information as well as a spiritual blessing.

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VICTORS HAVE NO

OFFICIALS IN THE

MIND OF THE COURT

Many of our friends over the country are eager for full information with reference to the recent decision which was in favor of certain cross complainants. Strange to say that the court recognized that they had no officers and ordered that at such time as a General Assembly could be held that a General Overseer be elected by a majority of the bonafide voters, also such other officers as are necessary. The writer is at a loss to know what is going to be done with the theory of divine appointment for life, and where and how it ended and the reasons there for.

FOR BUILDING AUDITORIUM

Much has been said by our opposers and also injected into the Church litigation (for no other purpose but for reflection however) about the amount that the former General Overseer asked the Elders Council to appropriate for my services of drawing the plans and superintending the construction of the Church of God Auditorium in this city. Now, I wish to say without fear of successful contradiction that I had nothing to do with this appropriation and the whole matter was at the request of the former General Overseer and the Elders Council approved it. I may say further that that was one of the hardest years work of my life; yet at the same time I was delightedly surprised at this token of appreciation for my service by the former General Overseer and the Elders Council, but for the action I was in no wise responsible. I may say further that I donated \$500.00 of this to the Auditorium fund and paid approximately \$700.00 that I owed for some material, coal, carpet and other items. It was stated at the time by the former General Overseer that I had saved the Church several thousand dollars by my service and I am of the opinion that this statement was true as I discussed the plans with an architect later and he estimated it to cost from \$75,000 to \$80,000. All who are acquainted with this Auditorium will agree that this is a magnificent structure. One old colored sister after being shown through the Auditorium and was told that J. S. Llewellyn designed and superintended the construction she exclaimed, "My Lo'd, dat man has got mo' in his head dan he has got in his heart."

PUBLIC LIFE

Most everybody who enters public life in any manner are subject to the criticisms of his enemies and applause by his friends. The best public servant will become indifferent to public opinion and will stand for the principles of right, justice and fair play. The noblest public character will possess the genuine spirit of submission and be able to bow and kiss the rock that smites him.

Sister Della Hyberger, for many years the saleslady in our book department, has been confined to her home on account

of ill health, which almost resulted in a complete breakdown. We are delighted to inform our readers and her many friends throughout the states that she is improving and was able to be at the Auditorium Sunday night. Sister Hyberger deserves lots of credit for the rapid development of our sales department, the interest of which seemed to be her greatest. We especially request prayer of all of our friends for her complete recovery.

Sunday, July 11, was a great day at the Church of God Auditorium in this city. Good Sunday school after which Brother Cantrell of Georgia preached a short sermon followed by the pastor, S. W. Latimer. The evening service was beyond description. From the very beginning of the service a pleasant spirit prevailed. During the song and prayer service it was noticeable that the spiritual tide was rising after which a real praise service began and continued until about 9:30. Mighty billows of glory swept the place and the power was demonstrated in a marvelous way. From the appearance of the congregation it was easy to judge that hardly a one was present that failed to be touched or moved by the Spirit. God mightily manifested Himself in signs and wonders.

KEEP STRAIGHT AHEAD

Many of our people no doubt will wonder what they ought to do on account of the turn of events. We would respectfully advise that every local church remain steadfast to the original principles of the Church of God inasmuch as the court has decided in substance that the local churches had not given the constitution a valid ratification, therefore the courts will not hold them responsible for doing that which they have never done. We will agree with one consent that it was our understanding and were so informed in substance that we were not departing from the fundamental government and teachings of the Church. We are of the firm belief that it will eventually be held that what was done we all done and therefore all are responsible. How that a few who are guilty of the same thing could take such an advantage of those who shared equally with them in the transaction of this business is hard to understand. We will confidently expect a satisfactory explanation in the near future. Let every minister and member remain at your post, keep straight ahead, be true to the Lord and His Church, stand for the whole Bible rightly divided and the New Testament for government and discipline. Free from all man made creeds and traditions and acknowledge the risen and glorified Christ as the Divine head of the Church.

ALL BUT THAT

Once upon a time two men had a misunderstanding. One became very much enraged against the other and called him every bad name that he could think of and told him how mean and how low down he was and many hard things that he was guilty of. The poor fellow waited patiently for the man to get through talking to him. Finally after the man could find nothing further to say the poor fellow raised his head and said, "Well, I am all right all but that am I not?"

MISSION TRUCK

There has been quite a little said in connection with the Church litigation about the purchase by the former General Overseer and Elders Council of a truck some years ago to be used in home mission work. This was a sixteen passenger Studebaker bus. It was purchased by me and only run a few hundred miles, possibly from three to four hundred, at a cost of either \$1,600 or \$1,650. After finding that the management was interested in an equipment of this kind I made the proposition that if they wanted the one I had I would donate or deduct \$500 from the purchase price. The General Overseer and Elders accepted the proposition and the transaction was closed. Since so much has been said pro and con they have undertook to make capital of this and in some way

NOTICES

REVIVAL AND STATE CONVENTION

Will convene at the CHURCH OF GOD, corner W. 6th & Royal Sts., Atlanta, Ga., July 22—Aug. 1st inclusive.

State Overseer J. W. Culpeper in charge.

July 30th, 31st and August 1st will be State Convention for the northern part of the State.

Bible lesson each day, with such teachers as T. S. Payne and J. B. Ellis. General Overseer F. J. Lee will be present during the convention.

MUSIC

Atlanta Choir—J. M. Henson Quartette.

Elmira J. Woods, Atlanta Teacher of music, will render special Piano Solos. Also singers from Dividing Ridge, Tenn.

The State Board will meet at this time for the consideration of all matters which may properly come before it.

Evangelistic services each night, speakers to be selected.

—Entertainment—

Louis Purcell, L. H. Rickerson, J. H. Edge, J. D. Reynolds and S. C. Daniel.

All seekers after truth are

WELCOME

Tramps & Bums not Wanted. We are expecting a great time. All day service the last day.

COME

A. GANN, (Pastor).

The Church of God camp meeting of North Florida, will convene at Branford, Fla., Aug. 5-15, 1926. Eld. Williams in charge.

Come prepared to camp and enjoy the blessings of the Lord. Restaurant on the ground with other conveniences.

For further information, write me, at Branford, Fla.—Bun E. Hicks Dist. Overseer.

To the Churches of God in Indiana, Kansas and Missouri: I am reliably informed that there is one Mr. Seevers claiming to be a Church of God preacher visiting the Churches of God, especially in Missouri, and this is to inform you that he has no "Credentials" neither permission to enter any of the Churches. This party has se-

there is a mistaken idea gone out that the bus referred to only cost \$1,100 when new. Now, for correction of this impression I would refer any one interested to the Hall Automobile Company of Chattanooga, Tennessee and ask them to look up their record and see what I paid. I will say further that if this has gotten into the record in that way it most assuredly is a misprint and not according to my statement, but the records where the bus was purchased no doubt will show the facts and my friends and enemies are respectfully requested to investigate for themselves. I am sure if the court reporter got the matter in that way it was an unintentional mistake on his part. Since dictating the above statement I have taken the liberty to refer to my deposition in order to determine the cause of the wrong impression. See Volume 5, page 272. Question 756 which reads as follows: "I will ask you if this was not the proposition, that you would take \$1,600 for it and would donate \$500 and make it cost the church only \$1,100?" Answer: "That is what I meant to do, to donate the difference of course, the truck was practically new and we had paid something over \$1,600 for it." This is the question and answer that appears in the deposition. I notice however, that answer to question no. 755 that there is a misprint which I am sure was unintentional on the part of the reporter.

I, F. D. Davis of Harriman, Tennessee after reading the above statement with reference to the truck and its original cost will say that I was thoroughly familiar with this original transaction and the statement made with reference to the first cost is correct, which is to say that it cost delivered \$1,600 and something over, and will say further that the above statement made by Llewellyn is true in substance and in fact.

cured money under false pretense at Joplin, Mo. from various parties and will be in the hands of the law in the event we are able to locate and detain him, other Churches take notice.—E. C. Clark, Overseer of Mo.

CORRECTION

The report of the cash offerings in the Evangel July 3, reported \$23.17 from the church at Forrest City, Ark. and this amount should have been credited to Marked Tree, Ark.—J. M. Viney.

ALMO, Ky.—I was at the last Assembly and a number of friends spoke of helping us in this new field and gave me their address and I lost the paper. I am now ready for revivals and any one interested in this new field write me for particulars.—Maggie Fulcher, Almo, Kentucky.

A revival will begin at Tusculum, Ala. at the Sunny Side Church July 18. Everybody invited to come and help us. Will move from there to Spring Valley. Any one feeling led to come and help in the meeting we will be glad to have you. The pastor will have charge of the services. P. W. Hackney.

To the members of the Church of God in South Carolina and elsewhere.

This is to notify you that H. D. Gilstrap is no longer a minister nor member of the Church of God.—E. M. Ellis, Overseer of South Carolina.

Brother S. L. Cantrell, Cranford, Ga. is open for calls during the month of August. Any one desiring his service write him at above address.

A revival will begin at Calhoun, Ga. July 18. Brother J. R. Thomas of Lenoir City, Tenn. in charge. We covet the prayers of God's people that many will be saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost.—J. H. Nix, Pastor.

I am ready for service. Any one desiring my help in meetings I am at your service.

J. U. Nabors, Star Route, Houston, Miss.

LORD STILL WORKING

HAYNES, Ark.—I am praising God for what He is to me. I am saved, sanctified and a member of the Church of God.

The Lord blessed while we were in Alabama. We conducted a two weeks meeting at Flat Top, Ala. at a wicked place. The Lord gave us two souls. We were near the state prison and penitentiary. The trustee of the prison visited the meeting and sought the Lord.

Pray that the Gospel may go behind the prison walls.—Leo Cooper.

THE WORD GIVEN

OUT WITH POWER

MULLENS, W. Va.—I want to thank and praise God for the revival just closed at Mead Poca, W. Va. which lasted eighteen days; Bro. V. W. Blankenship being in charge. I truly believe Brother Blankenship is a true blue Church of God minister. The Word went forth with great power. Many were at the altar crying out to God. I feel that there has been seed sown at this place that will be reaped later.

Four were saved, two sanctified, two received the Holy Ghost, four baptized in water and four added to the church. This is my first testimony to the Evangel. I want to praise God for salvation that I can feel down in my soul. I received the Holy Ghost in the revival and can't thank God enough because He hears and answers prayer.

Sometimes the devil tries to discourage me and the way grows dark; but He says His grace is sufficient to help us overcome every trial and temptation. I thank Him for His healing power. He has healed my body many times. I want the saints to pray for me and the church at this place.—Eva Perdue, Clerk.

Obituaries

SHOEMAKER

On April 1, 1926 the dear Lord saw fit to call dear Brother L. I. Shoemaker to Himself. He fell asleep at the age of sixty-two years and three months.

He leaves to mourn his loss a loving wife, three sons, three daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Three days before he passed away, while the brethren were praying for him the dear Lord blessed him and he knelt to some sinners and asked the Lord to save them and about two hours before he fell asleep he was telling an old man what the Lord would do for him if he would only surrender to Him.

He was saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost for a number of years and was always ready to tell others about the wonderful work of God. We extend to the bereaved ones our sympathy.

His body was laid to rest one mile from his home near Fort White, Fla. to await the resurrection of the just.

Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep. From which one never wakes to weep. One who loved him.—J. W. Culpeper.

HILTON

On the morning of June 17, 1926 the death angel visited the home of Bro. and Sister E. C. Hilton and claimed for its victim their little son, C. L. Hilton, age two months, three weeks and two days. He was sick only five days, but endured severe suffering during the short while. Brother and Sister Hilton trusted the Lord with the healing of his body from the beginning to the end, but the Lord saw fit to call the little darling home.

Before he died we asked the Lord to ease his little pain racked body and He did. Just a short while before he died he got easy and then went to be with Jesus.

He leaves to mourn, father, mother, twin brother and a host of relatives and friends.

The funeral service was conducted by Brother W. M. Conner and the body was laid to rest in Lane Cemetery to await the resurrection morn.

Soon this life will all be over, And our sorrow here will end.

Then we'll meet our little darling Where we'll never part again.

One who loved him.—Gladys Smith, Thomaston, Ga.

GAINES

It was on the 28th day of April 1926, that sister Mary Gaines was called to meet the Lord.

She was at the time of her death, a few months over 83 years of age.

She had been blessed with good health most of her life, until a few years ago, her health began to fail. To know this dear sister was to love her.

She had belonged to several different denominations before she heard of the Church of God, Baptist, Methodist, Pentecostal, and possibly others, but just as soon as the light was brought to her on the Church of God, she was one of the first who was added when the Church was set in order here at Hartwell. She was saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost.

She had great faith in the Lord. She hadn't taken any medicine in 30 or more years, and continued to trust the Lord till the end came.

We can't tell how much we loved her. Her humble life, her testimonies, and her great faith in God, was such a help to the Church. Her vacant place can never be filled. During her sickness I never heard her complain, but she always greeted us with a smile, and though being confined to her bed, and almost helpless, some of the time; she would often tell us she was enjoying herself.

She told her children to meet her, and exhorted me to preach the Word to the people.

She leaves to mourn her departure, several children, grand children, many friends, and brothers and sisters in Christ, but we feel our loss is heaven's gain.

On the day following her death, her body was tenderly laid to rest in the cemetery at Bowersville, Ga., beside her husband, who preceded her to the grave several years ago.

The funeral was conducted by the writer. The text we used was one she selected herself, Heb. 4-9. She had this verse marked in her Bible to be used at her funeral. By request of the children, we used her own Bible, which showed by its worn pages that she had been a constant reader of God's Holy Word.

Oh! how much we'll miss you

While in this world we stay,
We trust we'll get to see you
Again in heaven some day.

To have to give you up,
Brings tears to our eyes,
But you must now be happy
In your home above the skies.

Your crying here is over,
Your suffering now is past,
No doubt you are now singing,
"I have gotten home at last."

We don't mourn for you as dead,
But have just fallen asleep.
But we miss you so much
We just have to weep.

Myrtle Whitehead.

MCABEE

On April 26th the death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister C. E. McAbee and took away their darling little boy. He was only sick a few days before the Lord took him home. He was almost four years old. We will miss him here, but we expect to meet him again on the streets of glory.

Ole who loved him.—Annie McKee.

AUTEN

The death angel visited the home of Brother and Sister Harry Auten and claimed their little son J. W., age five months, one day. All was done that loving hands could do, but He that doeth all things well knew best and took him to be with Jesus.

Funeral services conducted by the writer and its body laid to rest in Belmont Cemetery to await the resurrection morn.—J. M. Snyder, Gastonia, N. C.

SMITH

The death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Smith and claimed for its victim their baby Louise. She was born June 15 1923, died June 17 1926. Many prayers were offered for the healing of her body and everything loving hands could do but God saw fit to take her home. She leaves to mourn her death, father, mother, one sister, grandmother, many relatives and friends. The funeral service was conducted by Brother Walter Anderson and the little body laid to rest in the old Campground Cemetery, near Townsboro to await the coming of Jesus. Louise was just a tender plant here in this earthly garden but Jesus looked down upon her and said "Come up higher" and sent the angels to pluck her up and transplant her in God's garden where she shall live and bloom forever.—Mrs. Leona Costner, Knoxville, Tenn.

CUMBLE

On June 20, 1926 the death angel called at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cumble and took for its victim their precious baby boy, Thornon. He was only sick a week. All was done that loving hands could do. We miss him so much, but we are looking to meet him some sweet day where this tolls life is o'er.

We loved him, yes we loved him, but Jesus loved him best.

Now, we know that Jesus took him to be at home at rest.

We only look to Jesus in this lonely and sad hour for we know He is a refuge in time of need and trouble.

Little Thornon lacked only nine days being a year old. He was only with us for a little while, but we are willing for the Lord to take him for we know that He has a crown of life for all who will do His will.

Written by one who loved him, his aunt, Sallie Wynn, Route 3, Ochlocknee, Ga.

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REPORTS

MINGO DIST. CONVENTION AT DELBARTON, W. VA.

The Mingo District Convention of the Church of God convened at Delbarton, W. Va. June 4-6, Bro. Scoggins in charge. Service began Friday night at 7:30 with a good crowd. As the songs of Zion went up the power fell and the Holy Ghost surely had control of the entire convention. At 8:15 the welcome address was given by the pastor and every one seemed to feel at home. This was followed by response from W. E. Brewer, Roy Marcum, George Booth and Wayne Davis which was very interesting. After shaking hands and singing a song we were dismissed.

Saturday morning Brother Scoggins gave an encouraging address to the ministers and also to the lay members. The afternoon, a sermon by Brother T. J. Meade. Text, "Fight the Good Fight of Faith." He emphasized the fact that we had to fight the enemy continually. At 3:30 report of churches. The Lord blessed as each church marched to the platform and we were glad to see that the Lord is working in this district as well as everywhere else.

Service began at 7:30 with a large attendance and at 8:00 Bro. George Sprouse preached on "Be not Deceived." The Lord wonderfully blessing him in giving out the Word. This was followed with a sermon on "Fullness" by H. L. Marcum. In this message he showed that the blessings belong to God's people and how we received them also in conclusion he made it clear how we needed the fullness of the blessing and that if we will pay our tithes God would give us the fullness; followed by a good altar service.

Sunday morning there was a good crowd at Sunday school which was enjoyed by all present. At 11:00 T. J. Meade spoke on "Sunday school and Orphanage Work" and every one rejoiced to know that this great cause was not neglected by the Church of God.

12:00. Sermon "Feasting with God" by Sister Brewer and all present enjoyed a feast from the Lord. The afternoon service opened at 3:00 with songs and prayers after which Bro. James Starr spoke concerning the Evangel and we received fourteen subscriptions for which we all praised the Lord with uplifted hands. This was followed by an interesting talk by our State Overseer.

At the night service we had a testimony service conducted by Brother Don Staten. The Lord blessed in a wonderful way. Sermon "Who are we?" by Bro. H. N. Scoggins. He showed by the Word who we are, and why we are, who we are; showing that we are the Church of the living God, the pillar and ground of the truth. At 9:30 handshakes and good-byes.

The convention closed with every one encouraged to press on and do more for God and His cause. This was said to be the best district convention ever held in this district, the Lord blessing every service. Saints shouted, danced and talked in tongues and interpretations given. We also enjoyed the visiting brethren from other districts.—C. W. Florence.

BATTLEFIELD NOTES

JACKSONVILLE, Ala.—The Lord is blessing in Jacksonville, Ala. Brother Ellis asked me to pastor this church beginning the 1st Sunday in May as his work as State Overseer called him away from home and his work here.

The 3d Sunday in May Sister Simpson came to visit for a few days and preached about four times. The Lord blessed in all these services. She returned home but the meeting continued for about ten days. Many were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and eleven added to the church. In June we baptized ten in a beautiful pool in Mill Village in the presence of a multitude of people. The Lord was present. It was a beautiful scene to see the power of God on seven little girls in the water. Pray for us.—J. A. Brown, Pastor.

GASTONIA IS MOVING ON WITH VICTORY OVER THE DEVIL

I want to praise the dear Lord for what He is to me. I promised Him if He would heal my body I would tell it through the Evangel so that people will know what He can do for those who will trust Him.

I suffered for about four weeks and at times the pain would be so severe it didn't seem like I could stand it, but I just held on to God and the dear saints would pray for me and so I am healed. Praise His dear name. I am glad to-day finds me with victory in my soul and I feel like traveling on.

I would like to say a word about the saints in Gastonia. I am glad of the little band of saints we have here. There are some true blue Christians, standing four square for the Church of God. Some are getting saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost and being added to the great Church of God, the pillar and ground of the truth. The signs are following the believers, the sick being healed by the mighty power of God. We also have a good Sunday School.

Our pastor, Brother J. M. Snyder, is surely standing by the work and the Lord surely does bless Him in giving out the Word and we are proud of him. We too are proud of our State Overseer, Bro. Roy E. Blackwood, and hope that the dear Lord will send both of them back to us another year.

We are expecting to have a revival at this place to begin July 10th. All who read this please pray that many souls will be saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray for me that I may stand true.—Mrs. S. J. Glenn, 312 Dalton St., Gastonia, N. C.

New Church with One Hundred Members

CLARKSBURG, W. Va.—Here we are again for another big Church at Clarksburg. I came here the 4th of May and found the saints divided, scattered and just a few holding on. A large church building seating about a thousand people and worth about fifteen thousand dollars. I was asked to come but when I got there I found considerable opposition and decided I would go to another part of the city where Brother Ballard was having prayer meetings but God overruled the opposition and I preached from the 107th Psalm and the Lord blessed real good. God was there at the big altar service that followed.

There were about twenty one hundred dollars against the church and things looked dark as we were threatened with arrest if we continued the meeting. The sun soon began to shine for one of the brethren received a check by mail for twenty five hundred dollars and paid off all the debt and set the church free for God. Then we went on fine. God blessed and the saints came together and unity and love prevailed in a great way. God blessed in the revival and souls were saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. We at last preached on the Church of God and the power fell so that I could hardly finish my sermon and the saints danced, shouted and talked in tongues. When we finished the message we asked how many would like to come into the Church of God and about one hundred came forward. This church was known as the Pentecostal church of the Living God. It is known as the Church of God with the Head in heaven and members on earth; our earthly Headquarters at Cleveland Tenn. Now if you do not believe we are real Church of God people just dare to give us a call and find out.

One Sunday we had communion and feet washing and such a time as we did have. They have asked me to be the pastor and I have agreed to stay until they can get some one to fill my place. You brethren that have been expecting me for service can get some one else. I felt like I could not miss this opportunity. Oh, such fine godly men, women and young people and most of them are lining

up to the Word and will pay tithes. We invite our General Overseer and our Editor and Publisher J. S. Llewellyn to come over and help us. God bless you.—D. R. Moreland.

SEVERAL PRAYED THRU TO VICTORY

ANDERSON, S. C.—I want to praise God this morning for salvation that saves from sin and glad that I became willing to return to my Father's house where there is plenty and to spare. Thank God the Comforter abides.

The second Sunday in June we began a revival at this place and the Lord wonderfully blessed from the beginning. Brother J. W. Culpepper preached for us two nights and it is wonderful to listen to him. He is surely a man of God. Brother Jim Mason from Oak Way preached for us a few times and I am sure every one enjoyed hearing him. Sister Nettie Hanvey did the rest of the preaching under the power of the Holy Ghost and several prayed through to victory. Two received the Holy Ghost and spoke in tongues as the Spirit gave utterance.

Thank the Lord. Four were added to the church. To Him be all the praise. We are few in number but the little Gideon band were few in number but they won the battle for God. We feel just like going on and doing what God wants us to do. When you pray remember the little band at Anderson, also pray for our loved ones who are in sin.—Mary Alewine.

THE LORD STILL BLESSING IN ALABAMA CITY, ALA.

ALABAMA CITY, Ala.—Our revival began the fifth Sunday in May with a Rally Day. All day service and dinner on the ground. There was about \$80.00 raised to pay on the new church. There were between two and three hundred visitors from the different churches. Meeting ran two weeks and Brother G. C. Dunn in charge. He preached inspiring messages with much power. Large attendance and great interest was manifested. The messages found their way to the hearts of the people and they fell in the altar and cried and prayed thru to victory.

There were several saints reclaimed, several saved, sanctified, five or six received the Holy Ghost and joined the church and twelve followed the Lord in water baptism. We thank God for men like Brother Dunn who will preach the Word uncompromising.—Leila Hale.

THREE REVIVALS IN ONE PLACE

JUPITER, Fla.—I thank and praise God that this moment finds me saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and on my way to heaven with a shout of victory. I want the saints abroad to know that the Lord is blessing us here at this place. He has given us two revivals this year with the third one in session; has also given us a large new building to worship in. The second Sunday in June we had a dedication service with Brother Lafleur, our State Overseer, many brethren and saints from other places present. It was a feast all day. We had baptizing, dinner on the ground which was enjoyed by all, and at night the Lord's supper and feet washing.

On the 27th of June the dist. Sunday school union, which was appointed by our State Supt. Brother U. P. Bronson met at this place for the purpose of reviewing the lessons of the past quarter. Conducted by our district Supt. Bro. Rhaming. We can say the Lord set His approval on this meeting and it was said by many that it was the best one they ever witnessed. I can say that it was the best one in the history of my life. The Lord manifested His power; the saints shouted, talked in tongues and wonderful messages were given. Praise the Lord forever.

Pray for my unsaved family and for this place.—Bessie Frink, Clerk.

REQUEST

Please pray for me to be healed of a pain in my side and that some one will come and help us in services.—Mrs. M. E. Smith, Hurricane Mills, Tenn.

RESURRECTION

The Christian's Hope and Joy

E. L. Moore.

It has been said, life is uncertain, and death is sure. We cannot avoid death, die we must. Had we wings and could fly swifter than the lightning, still death would overtake us. We know not the day or the manner of our departure. We are not safe anywhere. There are a thousand gates to death, even at this moment there is a straight path from us to eternity.

In view of the certainty of death, there is no greater question found in God's Word than that asked by Job, If a man die shall he live again? We die; our bodies return to the dust from whence they came. Shall they live again? The Book of all books declares we shall. The graves shall open, death bonds shall be broken. The resurrection of the body is the Christian's hope and joy but to the wicked it is dread and fear. Paul said, for me to live is Christ but to die is gain. Phil. 1:21.

The resurrection of the dead, is one of the main principles of our Christian religion, also common to the Jewish faith, and has been the hope of many. We are sure Job had reference to the resurrection of his body 19: 25, 26-27. For I know that my redeemer liveth, and that he shall stand at the latter day upon the earth; and though after my skin worms destroy this body, yet in my flesh shall I see God: whom I shall see for myself and mine eyes shall behold, and not another.

We will not try to discuss this subject in full and take time and space to declare all the joy and glory of the resurrection and the gain for the redeemed soul the home not made with hands, for in losing home here (if we have any) we gain a better one. If we have not we gain one. In all we lose we gain far better in the world to come, through the power of the resurrection.

The special point we desire to notice is the resurrection of the body. First we notice, all will be resurrected. In John 5:28, 29. Marvel not at this: for the hour is coming, in the which all that are in the graves shall hear his voice, and shall come forth: they that have done good, unto the resurrection of life; and they that have done evil, unto the resurrection of damnation. The just and the unjust together are to come forth in the same body. The righteous to be renovated. Who shall change our vile body, that it may be fashioned like unto his glorious body. Phil. 3: 20, 21. For this corruptible must put on incorruption, and this mortal put on immortality 1 Cor. 15:53-55.

This is speaking of the just, nothing mentioned as to the nature of the unjust how they shall be, but they are to be resurrected likewise with the just. And to be able to be among the just, and resurrection to life, we must be changed here, but if the Spirit of him that raised up Jesus from the dead dwell in you, he that raised up Christ from the dead shall also quicken your mortal bodies by his Spirit that dwelleth in you. Rom. 8:11.

Now back to the thought of the resurrection of our bodies. Nothing dies save that which was made of dust of the earth. Dust thou art and to dust thou shalt return, and the resurrection to life signifies a pre-existing state of death. In the absence of either of these there can be no resurrection. James said, For the body without the spirit is dead. James 2:26. It is the body that dies. The soul never dies, it lives on somewhere, the spirit or life goes back to God who gave it. Soul and body are united at the resurrection of the dead body. As it is the body only that dies, it follows that it is the body that is resurrected. Peter will not be Paul in the resurrection, neither will David (who said I shall be satisfied, when I awake, with thy likeness. Psalms 17:15) be Job (who said and though after my skin worms destroy this body yet in my flesh shall I see God, whom I shall see for myself, and mine eyes, shall behold, and not another) the identical

DIVINE HEALING

DESIRES A CLOSER WALK

FORT MYERS, Fla.—I want to say a few words of praise thru the Evangel for what God is to me. My baby had a bad cough and I prayed and told God if He would heal him and stop the cough I would testify to it thru the Evangel. He didn't heal him instantly, but he began to get better right away and was soon well, I didn't give him any medicine.

I ask all who read this to pray for me that I may receive the Holy Ghost. I want to get closer to the dear Lord. Pray for my family.—A friend, B. M.

INSTANTLY HEALED OF PARALYSIS

PUTMAN, Ga.—I am praising God for what He is to me. He has saved, sanctified and filled me with the precious Holy Ghost. Sister Morris from Ronger came over here and held a three nights service and the Lord worked wonderfully.

We sent in a handkerchief for an invalid girl some time ago and she was saved in this meeting. We want all the saints to pray for her and her parents, as they cannot believe that she will be completely healed.

On Sunday as Sister Morris was preaching a good believer was stricken with paralysis. We went to her bedside and prayed and she was instantly healed and is still able to be going.

Pray that we will have a good revival at this place.—Bro. D. L. McDonald.

TRUSTING IN GOD

DEUCHER, Ohio—I want to send in a testimony to the Evangel for I love the Church of God. I thank God for sending

body. The soul or the spirit of man does not follow the body to the grave. So if the bodies are not to be resurrected for what are the graves molested?

Martha believed in the resurrection of the body, Lazarus had been in the grave four days; no doubt had begun to decay. Jesus informed her that Lazarus would rise again and she said I know that he shall rise again in the resurrection at the last day. John 11:24. The body, some body which sinks into the tomb. Where did she learn this truth? It was the same Lazarus brought forth, there, and will be the same in the great resurrection. It was the same Jesus that came from the tomb bringing others with Him.

It could not be a resurrection unless the very thing which has

some one around here to preach holiness. I love this pure and holy way. The Lord has been so good to me I want to give Him the praise and glory for the way He has answered prayer. Bless His holy name!

I want to praise the Lord for healing power. He has touched my body and has healed me different times. Many times when I would not be able to do my work the dear Lord would remove the pain. Bless His dear name. The Lord has been so good to answer prayer when some of the family have been afflicted, so I thank and praise Him for His goodness and for the love He has for me.

I want all who read this to pray for me to stay true and faithful, also pray for my companion. We are both trusting in the Lord for healing.—Mrs. Sanford Williamson.

HEALED OF SORES

LEGO, W. Va.—I want to send a note of praise through the Evangel, I am praising God this morning for His wonderful healing power. My baby was covered with sores and the Lord healed it. Husband and I have been in the way over four years and have never given my children any medicine and not a dose in my family. I thank God because I am saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. Pray that we may get closer to the Lord.—E. Blakenship.

HEALED OF RHEUMATISM

FARMVILLE, N. C.—I want to tell how the Lord healed me of rheumatism, I suffered several months and laid the Evangel on my back in the name of Jesus and God healed me. Pray for me that I may be saved.—A. J. Curry.

died, live again. It was the body that died not the soul. Job speaks of seeing God with his eyes and in his flesh. Paul speaking of the body (of the just) it is sown in corruption, it is raised in incorruption. Yes we certainly shall be changed as we were changed from carnal to spiritual in justification just so will we be changed from mortal to immortality in resurrection, our personality will be preserved, although we shall retain no weakness or anything that mars our happiness.

Many perhaps will object to the view we have given as to the resurrection of the identical body saying it is impossible, that the body goes to dust. Our God that knows no impossibilities can trace every particle of dust since it seems to be His (Continued on page 4.)

STATE CONVENTIONS AND CAMP MEETINGS

MISSISSIPPI STATE CAMP MEETING

Cleveland -:- Mississippi
July 24—August 8.

MARYLAND STATE CAMP MEETING

Salisbury -:- Maryland
July 22—August 1.

N. CAROLINA STATE CAMP MEETING

Washington -:- N. Carolina
August 5-15.

GEORGIA STATE CONVENTION

Atlanta -:- Georgia
July 30-August 1.

ALABAMA STATE CAMP MEETING

Boaz -:- Alabama
August 15-29.

WEST VIRGINIA STATE CONVENTION

Logan -:- W. Virginia
July 28—August 1

ARKANSAS STATE CONVENTION

Nichols Chapel near Marked Tree, Ark.
July 23-25.

Testimonies

ENCOURAGED TO PRESS ON

I feel impressed to sound a note of praise to the Lord who has done so much for me and never fails to heal. Bless His sweet name!

A few nights ago, while eating fish, a small bone got crossed in my throat and I was unable to swallow or even turn my head. It seemed that nothing could be done, so I began to call upon the Lord and while meditating on His goodness unto the children of men, the bone was moved and it has never bothered me since. I felt the presence of Jesus strongly when it moved and I know He did the work, for which I give Him the praise.

I know the Lord has a work for me to do and I know that it means a complete surrender. There are times that the way seems shadowed and because I cannot understand all from the beginning to the end, doubts and fears harass me so; but I tell Him all about it. I am seeking His will and nothing else. I know that His grace is sufficient to purge my heart and to away with everything in my life that would grieve the heart of Jesus.—Mrs. J. E. Goodson.

WANTS TO ATTEND

BIBLE SCHOOL

MARKED TREE, Ark.—I want to sound a note of praise for our great Redeemer.

I am glad that I can still report victory over sin and the devil. Praise the dear Lord! I am glad that I can say I am a member of the Church of God, the cleanest church on earth and I want to be a worker for our dear Lord and His Church. I have seen in His Word where it says, for us to study to shew ourselves approved unto God, a workman that needeth not to be ashamed rightly dividing the word of truth. I feel like there is a work for me to do, also my family. I can hear something telling me that I should go to the Bible School, so all who read this please pray that the Lord will open up the way for me, that I may attend the next term of school.—W. D. Lillard.

SHOULD NOT SHIRK FROM DUTY

ORLANDO, Fla.—I feel it my duty to write a few words to the Evangel. I praise God for His love and above all for the sweet Holy Ghost that's abiding in my soul. I really love Jesus and His cause. As we look out and see so many souls without hope, lost, whose lives are wrecked and unhappy, how my heart goes out for poor lost souls who are without hope. May God help us to wake up and be willing to help fallen humanity. We should be willing to do the little things that are assigned to our hands and do it without complaining.

We expect to begin a revival May 1st. Would be glad that every one who reads this ask God to bless and help as never before and that lost souls may be saved.

Dear saints, let's do more in the future than we have ever done in the past. Let us pray more and when the time comes for us to do something, let us not have an excuse to make. We must all do our part, be the task great or small.—Mrs. Maud Futrell.

SERVING A PRAYER ANSWERING GOD

DETROIT, Mich.—I thank and praise God because I'm serving a prayer answering God. He saves, sanctifies, fills with the Holy Ghost and heals our bodies. I mean to be loyal to the Church of God and my desire is to do everything the Bible teaches.

I never appreciated the Church of God or the Evangel so much until I visited the last Assembly. It surely was wonderful. Ever since I have read the Evangel through, I'm still a school girl and when I'm not very busy with my lessons I enjoy reading the Evangel. I have a great determination to go through with God and be a light in this lost world.—Gladys Reed.

SAW THE LIGHT

SOMERVILLE, Ala.—I am a reader of the Evangel and was a member of the Baptist Church for nine years, but last June the Lord sent Sister Franklin and Brother Markum to our church. They testified and I saw that I was not what I wanted to be. I mean I had something to do. I am praising God for showing me the way. There are not but two holiness people in this neighborhood, but I am praising God for what He has done for me. Bless His name.

He has healed my body and my baby had a bad ring worm on his face and I prayed and the Lord healed him of it, so this day finds me saved, sanctified and asking that all the saints pray that I may receive the Holy Ghost and forever do the will of the Lord and be ready when He comes or calls for me. Bless His name.—Emma Hopkins.

IT PAYS TO BE PREPARED

LINCOLNTON, N. C.—I want to sound a note of praise to the dear Lord for answering my prayer. My dear son took pneumonia and was a sinner. I prayed for him and felt I should lay the Evangel on him, which I did in Jesus' name and he was sweetly saved; but the Lord took him home on Friday before Easter. He remarked that he would soon be at Home Sweet Home. He said the room in which he lay changed to a beautiful one.

Praise God for Jesus who gave His life for us. I praise the Lord for being a member of the Church of God. Pray for me.—Mrs. Katie Berryhill.

BETTER PLEASED WITH CHURCH OF GOD DOCTRINE

OAKMAN, Ga.—I promised God last night if He would heal me I would write my testimony to the dear Evangel. I praise His dear name for He really gave me a divine touch. Praise God forever! I really thank God for full and free salvation that Jesus bought on Calvary's tree and by His stripes we are healed. I really want to give Him praise for His keeping power and the constant abiding of the precious Holy Ghost. Jesus is truly my physician.

I want every one who reads this to pray for me that I may stand true and faithful to the end.—Mrs. J. A. Mealer.

THE WORD OF GOD WILL STAND

ARCHERS FORK, O.—We find many people to-day who don't believe the whole Word of God. They will say that the baptism with the Holy Ghost is not for us and that Divine Healing is a thing of the past; that we can't live above sin, and many other things they will turn down and will not accept, but that doesn't change the Word of God a bit. Jesus said in Matt. 24:35, Heaven and earth shall pass away, but my word shall not pass away.

I'm glad for the blessed Word of God. It makes no difference what folks say about the Word of God it is going to stand anyway. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and to-day and forever.

Peter said, "The promise is to you and to your children and to them that are afar off, even as many as the Lord our God shall call." Thank God, that includes me or any other man or woman who will measure up and take the whole Word of God.

Dear readers, let's measure up and take the whole Word of God rightly divided for it is going to stand when this old world is on fire.—Roy West.

MANY SEEKING THE LORD

WINCHESTER, Ky.—We began a meeting on the 13th of May and continued ten days. One was added to the church and the saints were greatly revived. Many are seeking the Holy Ghost at this place. We desire your prayers for this place. Pray especially for Brother and Sister Wright that they may receive the Holy Ghost.—J. L. Rice, 130 Parrk Ave.

WE NEED TO ENLARGE OUR BORDERS

I just want to say I am certainly glad for the new building which has been purchased for the Church of God Headquarters which I noticed in the Evangel. I think this will speak better for the Church of God.

While we thank God for the old building and it has been a good little shelter for His cause up to the present time, yet I feel like it is time to enlarge our borders. I feel the Church of God is the greatest institution on earth and it sure ought to have a good place for headquarters. We are not holding up a back alley way, but a main street way. When people go to Cleveland looking for headquarters they will find it in town.

I hope to hear of a moving taking place in Cleveland soon. Thank the Lord.—J. S. Douglas, Somerset, Ky.

FOLLOWING THE LORD

SELMA, N. C.—I want to praise the Lord this a. m. for good salvation and because He led me back to His Church. I love Brother Tomlinson and his folks, but the Lord has showed me that I was going wrong, so as the Lord would lead me along I would follow His guiding hand, because I just could not go contrary to my conviction. My heart was open to the Lord and God knew my heart and He knew I wanted to be in the Church of God where I could preach the Church doctrine and not be subject to the law. About three weeks ago the Lord convicted me that I was going on after man. I know that I will get cold shoulders turned to me on account of my conviction and obeying the Lord, but praise the Lord I must obey God and the Spirit. We find in 2 Chron. 2:14, If any people, which are called by my name, shall humble themselves, and pray, and seek my face, and turn from their wicked ways; then will I hear from heaven, and will forgive their sin, and will heal their land.—W. R. Pollard.

BUSY FOR THE LORD

ROCKY MOUNT, N. C.—I want to thank God for sending Brother L. G. Rouse and Bro. Hammonds to Rocky Mount. I believe with my whole heart that they are real God sent men. They were busy all the time for the Lord, reading, praying, or sending handkerchiefs. I went to the postoffice after the mail for them, I thought I was just going to get a few letters, but when the post master gave me the mail I counted one hundred letters.

They started a meeting here the 26th of March and it closed the 4th of April. The Lord wonderfully blessed. Seven were saved, five sanctified, four received the Holy Ghost, three came into the Church and six followed the Lord in water baptism. We had large crowds and the altar was full every service. May God bless all who read this.—Z. B. Edwards.

HEALED OF RHEUMATISM WASHINGTON, N. C.—I want to sound a note of praise to my blessed Redeemer for what He has done for me. He has saved me and sanctified me with His own blood and filled me with the blessed Holy Ghost.

I want every one who reads this to pray for me for I have a strong desire to do the will of the Lord and go through with Jesus at any cost. I want to be a bright light and let my light shine for Jesus. I want to do more for Jesus than ever before.

Brother Dave Paramore is our pastor this year and I do thank the Lord for such men for I believe he is a true man of God. We had Brother Rouse and helper with us two nights and thank the Lord for such men as they are. We had some good healing services. One lady afflicted with rheumatism was wonderfully healed. Pray for me to be healed and for the Lord to increase my faith and that I may be an overcomer.—Rhoda Daniels.

STANDING ON THE ROCK SEARLES, Ala.—I want to thank God for saving, sanctifying and filling me with the Holy Ghost. I am glad the Lord picked me up out of sin one day and placed my feet on the Rock that I might live for Jesus. I am

only a girl; have had the Holy Ghost nearly three years. Thank Him for His healing power for He has healed me many times. I belong to the Church of God and believe its teachings and desire the saints to pray that I may hold up Jesus to a lost and dying world.—Cathrine Turner.

Continuation of Orphanage Worker's Tour in Kentucky

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supper prepared by dear Sister Muncy.

Of course we were very tired after our journey, but the Lord's business requires haste, so we hastened on to church for the night service. We were gladly welcomed by the dear saints and soon fell in line with our stringed instruments, and thru prayer we had good success while there. We appreciated the help of the pastor and members while there. The children reminded us of bees as they were so busy soliciting for the orphans. Their efforts were indeed profitable as the report in the Evangel will show.

A few of us with our stringed instruments went to the L.&N. railroad shops at noon for a short service. We sang a few songs and received a liberal offering for the orphans.

We spent several nights in Brother Travis Daniel's home. We will never forget the kindness shown to us, and the good cherry pie and chicken that Grandmother Muncy took such pains to prepare. We also had a pleasant stay with Mr. Freeman and family, enjoyed music on the piano and stringed instruments. On Sunday afternoon we were refreshed with some ice cream at Sister Orr's home, which was enjoyed by about thirty, young and old.

After service Sunday night at 12:50, we boarded the train for Blue Diamond. It was so mountainous we left the car in Ravenna. The ticket agent said when we got in those mountains we would have to lie on our backs to see the sun. We found that he did not miss it far.

When we got off the train Mon. 6:30 A. M., we saw dear Sister Gibbs and others running to meet us. We were soon eating breakfast in her well arranged home. How welcome we were made to feel by Martha, the worried house keeper with her untiring efforts for our comfort. We were encouraged by their encouraging words and the many prayers we prayed while there.

We were very busy traveling over this little mining camp. Surely our hearts are in the work for which we are sent. Before visiting the manager of each mine we would kneel and ask God to bless our efforts. In answer to prayer, we were promised a car load of coal for the orphans. We did not fall to bow on our knees and thank God, when we returned. After laboring all day we went to night service and were greatly blessed with a refreshing shower from above.

We were glad to have Brothers Walker and Hall with us again to help with the stringed music, as they helped us faithfully at Harlan. Brother Cox, the assistant pastor gave a stirring talk on the Church of God and its progress, which was enjoyed among the other testimonies.

Among the many trips we made while there, was a visit to mines to solicit pledges from the miners. We were almost exhausted after climbing a very steep hill to get to the head of the mines. We wondered if our efforts would be in vain after such a hard struggle, but found some good hearted men who were very liberal. We surely ask God to bless each one who donated to this worthy cause. It was very interesting to watch the many cars of coal come from the different mouths of the mines, which looked like caves, also to see the different grades of coal separated by machinery. This reminded us of the orange packing houses in Florida where the oranges are separated.

We learned at the last service that the efforts of the children as well as the grown people while soliciting, had not been in vain. The amount brought in that night proved the same.

Orphanage Report

JUNE 28 JULY 3

Miss Irene and Blanche Ross, Youngstown, Ohio, 2 new bloomer dresses; 2 pr. hose; 2 pr. garters; 2 underwaists; percale 5½ yds. W. D. CHILDERS' little son Cleveland, Tenn. 1 boy's suit.

CASH REPORT

Church Lake Odessa, Mich. \$10.00; S. S. Sharps Tabernacle, La. \$3.35; Mrs. Mary Hixson, Hixson, Tenn. \$30.40; S. S. Manatee, Fla. \$14.00; Church Kansas City, Mo. \$4.03; S. S. Fitzgerald, Ga. \$2.00; S. S. Delbarton, W. Va. \$14.38; S. S. Poplar Creek, Miss. \$0.50; S. S. Cortez, Fla. \$7.60; S. S. Plant City, Fla. \$4.33; S. S. Ft. Meade, Fla. \$9.00; Church Greenville,

S. C. \$5.16; Alma Burroughs, Duhl. Ala. \$2.00; S. S. Barnabas, W. Va. \$2.25; S. S. Arcadia, Fla. \$1.00; S. S. Phenix, City, Ala. \$5.53; Church Daldwin Park, Cal. \$3.46; Church Donn, La. \$7.77; A. W. Garinger, Fairlawn, Ohio. \$21.41; S. S. Crab Orchard, Tenn. \$4.10; Church Ravenna, Ky. \$7.67; S. S. Corbin, Ky. \$3.10; Church Waresboro, S. C. \$0.65; Church Murray Chapel, Ala. \$3.75; Church Davis Creek, W. Va. \$1.33; S. S. Christopher, Ill. \$4.13; Church Riveria, Fla. \$8.79; S. S. Harlan, Ky. \$16.45; S. S. Somerset, Ky. \$1.43; S. S. Karbers Ridge, Ill. \$1.65.

On Thursday, May 10, We left Christopher. We viewed mining camps, one after another on the way, the train stopping at a station most every three or four minutes part of the time. At one place it stopped nine times within less than five miles. Off the train at Hazzard, got a taxi and went on to Christopher, another mining town. We met Brother Reaves and family who gave us a warm welcome into their home.

We were soon engaged in night service in the church set on a hill, up so high it surely ought to shine. We met some dear saints at this place and were in some real good services. One sister said the Lord had been blessing there, but she was made to realize by our visit that she had almost been asleep concerning her duty on this line of work. She said she was much encouraged. This encouraged us to know our efforts were not in vain.

We had a very enjoyable trip to Louisville and had a pleasant stay in the home of mother and Sister Josie Hicks. We also visited in Brother Barnett's (pastor) home and the home of Brother Keith. We enjoyed attending the tent meeting the few nights we were there and the good sermons by Brother Barnett. Our success in the orphanage work there was beyond our expectations owing to the conditions of things.

This was our last visit in Kentucky, leaving Tues. June 22 for Cincinnati. We crossed the beautiful Ohio River, drove through a part of Indiana then on into the State of Ohio. A report of our work in Ohio and Michigan will appear later. We earnestly desire your prayers that our efforts will be successful.

Love One for Another

LENOIR CITY, Tenn.—I want to praise the Lord through the Evangel for what He is to me; for keeping me and for victory

in my soul. I praise Him because I am still on the "Sunny Side" of life, and the way grows brighter each day. I have never grown tired of the way but am resting safely in the arms of Jesus, my great Redeemer and am praising God for His wonderful healing power.

I was very sick with flu and the Lord touched my body. I feel the need of being on the firing line more than ever before. How my heart goes out for lost souls. Beloved, the world is dying for love. Oh, that God will help us to have more of that white-heated, heaven born, divine, godly love that our Father commanded us to have.

He commanded us to "love one another with a pure heart fervently". I am praising Him for the love I have for the saints. I am glad I am a member of the great Church of God, that means "Church of Love" for God is love. Let us love in deed and be our best for Him who gave His best for us and do more in the future than in the past.—Nancy O. Voiles.

RESURRECTION

Continued from page 3.) plan. He can easily detect and present every single atom that has ever been created or formed. And as His plan I do not question as to how He does these mysterious things. He created all things, and by Him all things exist. He spoke, the world came into existence from nothing, the universe appeared. Angels can be dispatched to keep watch over our bodies. Michael was set to watch over the body of Moses, while the body of Jesus and others, were kept under guard after they had been laid away.

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